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Proto Labs, Inc.	)	Opposition No. 91/216,429
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Opposer	)	Serial Nos.: 86/100,092, 86/100,112
	)	86/100,123 and 86/100,133
v.	)	
	)	Marks: NextLine, NextLine
Nextline Manufacturing, Inc.	)	Manufacturing, NextQuote and
	)	Xpress Flow
Applicant	)	
	)	OG Publ. Dates: April 8 and March 18, 2014

**PROTO LAB'S FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

Opposer Proto Labs, Inc. (“Opposer Proto Labs”), hereby opposes Applicant Nextline Manufacturing, Inc.’s (“Applicant Nextline”) applications 86/100,092, 86/100,112, 86/100,123 and 86/100,133 (collectively, the “Applications”) to register the marks NextLine, NextLine Manufacturing, NextQuote and Xpress Flow, because Opposer Proto Labs will be damaged by registration of each of the Applications. The grounds for opposition are:

1. Opposer Proto Labs is a Minnesota Corporation having an office at 5540 Pioneer Creek Drive, Maple Plain, MN 55359.
2. Beginning at least by 1999, Opposer Proto Labs (formerly The Protomold Company, Inc.) has been operating in the prototyping market of manufacturing low volume plastic and metal parts to the designs custom specified by the customer.
3. Applicant Nextline began its business in about 2013 or 2014, as a direct competitor to Proto Labs in the prototyping market of manufacturing low volume plastic and metal parts to the designs custom specified by the customer.

4. Opposer Proto Labs is the owner of a portfolio of trademark/service mark applications and registrations and common-law trademark rights in the field of manufacturing low volume plastic and metal parts to the designs custom specified by the customer.
5. Opposer Proto Labs is the owner of, inter alia, the following registered U.S. Service Marks:

<b>Mark</b>	<b>Serial No.</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>	<b>Grant No.</b>	<b>Grant Date</b>
<b>PROTOQUOTE</b>	76/404,904	May 9, 2002	2,686,351	Feb. 11, 2003
<b>PROTOFLOW</b>	78/360,807	Feb. 2, 2004	3,294,603	Sep. 18, 2007
<b>FIRST CUT</b>	78/938,621	Jul. 27, 2006	3,268,122	Jul. 24, 2007
<b>FIRSTQUOTE</b>	77/086,637	Jan. 18, 2007	3,390,900	Mar. 4, 2008

Copies of the registration certificates for each of these marks are attached as Exhibits 1-4. Each of these four registrations is now incontestable. Proto Labs is also the owner of common law rights associated with each of these four listed marks as a result of Proto Labs' use of the marks in commerce, such use having begun long prior to October 24, 2013.

6. Upon information and belief, at least one employee of Applicant Nextline was aware of Proto Labs' commercial use of each of these four PROTOQUOTE, PROTOFLOW, FIRST CUT and FIRSTQUOTE marks at the time that Applicant Nextline adopted the marks in each of the applications.
7. Opposer Proto Labs is also the owner of the following application to register U.S. Service Mark:

<b>Mark</b>	<b>Serial No.</b>	<b>Filing Date</b>
<b>FINELINE</b>	85/811,866	Apr. 24, 2014

As currently filed, this application is for designated services of "Additive manufacturing for others, namely, stereolithography, selective laser sintering, direct metal laser sintering and 3D printing for others; Contract manufacturing in the field of stereolithography, selective laser sintering, direct metal laser sintering, or 3D printing; Custom fabrication and production

of parts for others made by stereolithography, selective laser sintering, direct metal laser sintering or 3D printing ; Manufacturing services for others in the field of stereolithography, selective laser sintering, direct metal laser sintering or 3D printing; Prototype fabrication of new products for others; Custom additive manufacture of parts that have been custom designed to the order and/or specification of others; Manufacture of plastic and metal parts to order and/or specification of others.” Proto Labs is also the owner, via assignment, of common law rights associated with FINELINE and FINELINE PROTOTYPING as a result of Proto Labs’ predecessor-in-interest’s use of the marks in commerce, beginning with a first use date at least as early as June 2001.

8. Upon information and belief, at least one employee of Applicant Nextline was aware of Proto Labs’ predecessor-in-interest’s commercial use of the FINELINE and FINELINE PROTOTYPING at the time that Applicant Nextline adopted the marks in each of the applications.
9. Application No. 86/100,092 was filed on October 24, 2013 for the mark NextLine as applied to “manufacture of plastic and metal parts to order and/or specification of others”, alleging a date of first use of January 15, 2013 and a date of first use in commerce of October 22, 2013. Applicant Nextline’s filing date and alleged first use dates are well after Opposer Proto Labs’ established rights in the listed marks.
10. The NextLine mark of Application No. 86/100,092 is a combination of the words “next” and “line”. The first word “next” is merely a play off the word “First” in Opposer Proto Labs’ established rights in FIRST CUT and FIRSTQUOTE. The second word “line” is identical to the second word in Opposer Proto Labs’ established rights in FINELINE.

11. The services designated in Application No. 86/100,092 are identical to services provided by Opposer Proto Labs' under its established FIRST CUT, FIRSTQUOTE and FINELINE marks.
12. Upon information and belief, Applicant Nextline had not used the mark NextLine in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either January 15, 2013 or October 22, 2013 or October 24, 2013.
13. Upon information and belief, as of November 11, 2013 Applicant Nextline was a brand new company that had no production capabilities and had made no sales.
14. In filing Application No. 86/100,092, Applicant Nextline submitted the specimen attached as Exhibit 5. Patrick Hunter signed the application as Chief Operating Officer of Applicant Nextline, with a declaration swearing to his asserted knowledge or belief that the mark had been used in commerce beginning at least as early as October 22, 2013, that the mark was currently in use in commerce, and that the specimen submitted showed the mark as used in commerce.
15. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 5 was never used in commerce.
16. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 5 was not being used in commerce on October 24, 2013.
17. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the NextLine mark had not been used in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either October 22, 2013 or October 24, 2013 at the time he executed the declaration in Application No. 86/100,092, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
18. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the specimen attached as Exhibit 5 had never been used in commerce and was not currently being used in commerce at the time

that Mr. Hunter submitted the specimen of Exhibit 5 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

19. Application No. 86/100,112 was filed on October 24, 2013 for the mark NextLine Manufacturing as applied to “manufacture of plastic and metal parts to order and/or specification of others”, alleging a date of first use of January 15, 2013 and a date of first use in commerce of October 22, 2013. Applicant Nextline’s filing date and alleged first use dates are well after Opposer Proto Labs’ established rights in the listed marks.

20. Applicant Nextline has disclaimed the word “Manufacturing” in application No. 86/100,112.

21. The “NextLine” portion of the NextLine Manufacturing mark of Application No. 86/100,112 is a combination of the words “next” and “line”. The first word “next” is merely a play off the word “First” in Opposer Proto Labs’ established rights in FIRST CUT and FIRSTQUOTE. The second word “line” is identical to the second half of Opposer Proto Labs’ established rights in FINELINE.

22. The services designated in Application No. 86/100,112 are identical to services provided by Opposer Proto Labs’ under its established FIRST CUT, FIRSTQUOTE and FINELINE marks.

23. Upon information and belief, Applicant Nextline had not used the mark NextLine Manufacturing in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either January 15, 2013 or October 22, 2013 or October 24, 2013.

24. In filing Application No. 86/100,112, Applicant Nextline submitted the specimen attached as Exhibit 6. Patrick Hunter signed the application as Chief Operating Officer of Applicant Nextline, with a declaration swearing to his asserted knowledge or belief that the mark had been used in commerce beginning at least as early as October 22, 2013, that the mark was

currently in use in commerce, and that the specimen submitted showed the mark as used in commerce.

25. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 6 was never used in commerce.

26. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 6 was not being used in commerce on October 24, 2013.

27. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the NextLine Manufacturing mark had not been used in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either October 22, 2013 or October 24, 2013 at the time he executed the declaration in Application No. 86/100,112, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

28. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the specimen attached as Exhibit 6 had never been used in commerce and was not currently being used in commerce at the time that Mr. Hunter submitted the specimen of Exhibit 6 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

29. Application No. 86/100,123 was filed on October 24, 2013 for the mark NextQuote as applied to "Software as a service (SAAS) services featuring software for use by design engineers and manufacturers, namely, to prepare cost estimates for the production of low volume custom designed plastic and metal parts", alleging a date of first use of September 17, 2013 and a date of first use in commerce of October 23, 2013. Applicant Nextline's filing date and alleged first use dates are well after Opposer Proto Labs' established rights in the listed marks.

30. The NextQuote mark of Application No. 86/100,123 is a combination of the words "next" and "quote". The first word "next" is merely a play off the word "First" in Opposer Proto Labs' established rights in FIRST CUT and FIRSTQUOTE. The second word "quote" is

identical to the second half in Opposer Proto Labs' established rights in PROTOQUOTE and FIRSTQUOTE.

31. The services designated in Application No. 86/100,123 are identical to services provided by Opposer Proto Labs' under its established FIRST CUT and FIRSTQUOTE marks.
32. Upon information and belief, Applicant Nextline had not used the mark NextQuote in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either September 17, 2013 or October 23, 2013 or October 24, 2013.
33. In filing Application No. 86/100,123, Applicant Nextline submitted the specimen attached as Exhibit 7. Patrick Hunter signed the application as Chief Operating Officer of Applicant Nextline, with a declaration swearing to his asserted knowledge or belief that the mark had been used in commerce beginning at least as early as October 23, 2013, that the mark was currently in use in commerce, and that the specimen submitted showed the mark as used in commerce.
34. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 7 was never used in commerce.
35. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 7 was not being used in commerce on October 24, 2013.
36. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the NextQuote mark had not been used in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either October 23, 2013 or October 24, 2013 at the time he executed the declaration in Application No. 86/100,123, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
37. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the specimen attached as Exhibit 7 had never been used in commerce and was not currently being used in commerce at the time



that Mr. Hunter submitted the specimen of Exhibit 7 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

38. Application No. 86/100,133 was filed on October 24, 2013 for the mark XPress Flow as applied to "Software as a service (SAAS) services featuring software for analyzing customer requirements, planning manufacturing builds and facilitating order fulfillment of low volume custom designed plastic and metal parts", alleging a date of first use of September 17, 2013 and a date of first use in commerce of October 22, 2013. Applicant Nextline's filing date and alleged first use dates are well after Opposer Proto Labs' established rights in the listed marks.

39. The second word "Flow" of Application No. 86/100,133 is identical to the second half in Opposer Proto Labs' established rights in PROTOFLOW.

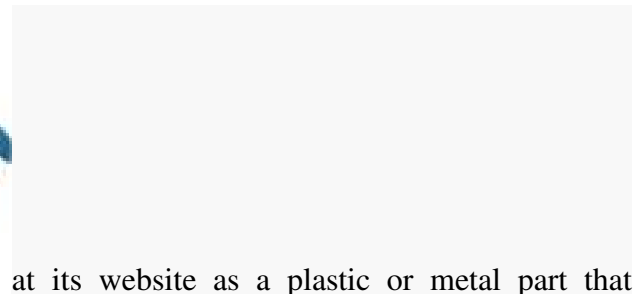
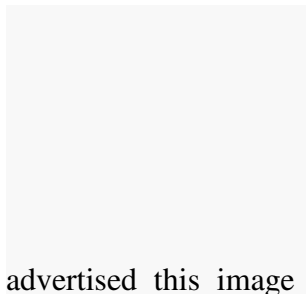
40. The services designated in Application No. 86/100,133 are identical to services provided by Opposer Proto Labs' under its established PROTOFLOW mark.

41. Upon information and belief, Applicant Nextline had not used the mark Xpress Flow in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either September 17, 2013 or October 22, 2013 or October 24, 2013.

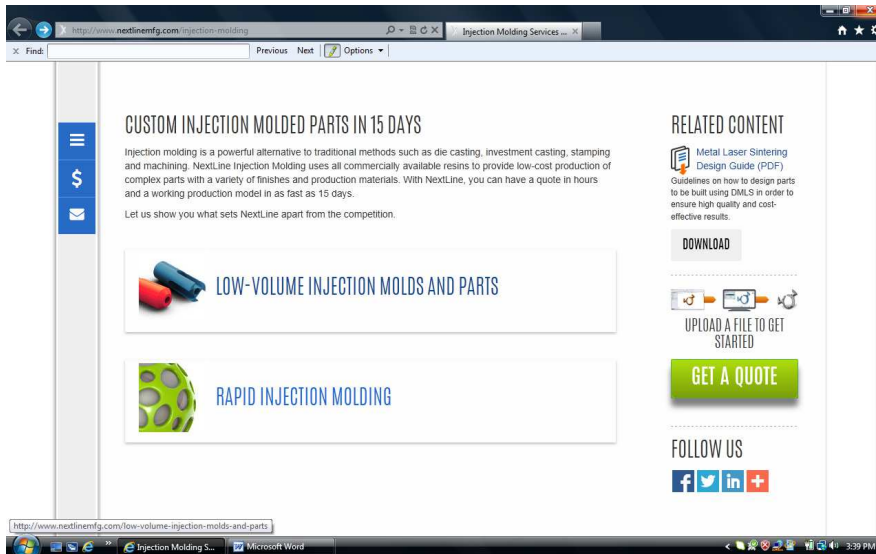
42. In filing Application No. 86/100,133, Applicant Nextline submitted the specimen attached as Exhibit 8. Patrick Hunter signed the application as Chief Operating Officer of Applicant Nextline, with a declaration swearing to his asserted knowledge or belief that the mark had been used in commerce beginning at least as early as October 22, 2013, that the mark was currently in use in commerce, and that the specimen submitted showed the mark as used in commerce.

43. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 8 was never used in commerce.

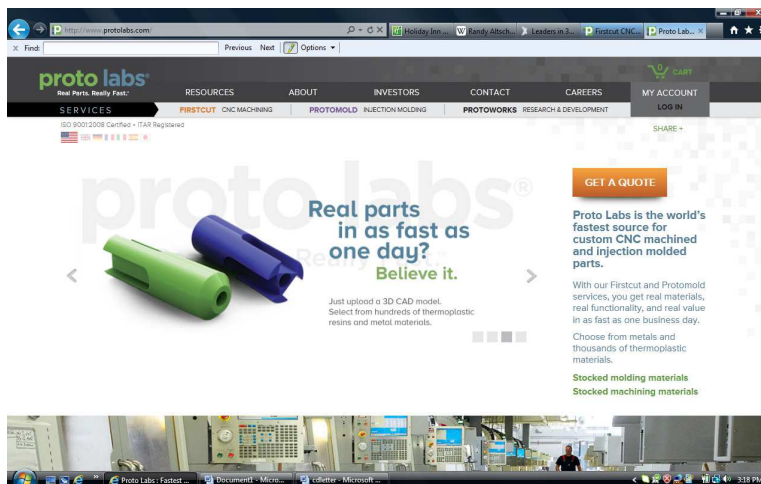
44. Upon information and belief, the specimen attached as Exhibit 8 was not being used in commerce on October 24, 2013.
45. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the Xpress Flow mark had not been used in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1) by either October 22, 2013 or October 24, 2013 at the time he executed the declaration in Application No. 86/100,133, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
46. Upon information and belief, Patrick Hunter knew that the specimen attached as Exhibit 8 had never been used in commerce and was not currently being used in commerce at the time that Mr. Hunter submitted the specimen of Exhibit 8 to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, intending to mislead the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
47. The likelihood of confusion created by Applicant Nextline under each of its applied-for marks has been exacerbated by the likelihood of confusion created by Applicant Nextline under other of its applied-for marks, creating an overall likelihood of confusion between Applicant Nextline and Proto Labs.
48. The likelihood of confusion created by Applicant Nextline under its applied-for marks has been exacerbated by copyright infringement and false advertising which has occurred in NextLine's use of the applied-for marks in commerce. For instance, Applicant Nextline



Applicant Nextline had custom manufactured to order and/or specification of others:



In fact, this part was a part which had been custom manufactured by Proto Labs to order and/or specification of others and promoted by Proto Labs as such, as shown on the attached internet Proto Labs advertisement.



Other occasions wherein Applicant Nextline commercially used Proto Labs' copyrighted materials further contribute to the likelihood of confusion.

49. Application no. 86/100,092 is not registrable under 15 U.S.C. 1052(d), and Opposer Proto Labs would be damaged by the registration of application no. 86/100,092 within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. 1063(a).

50. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,092 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,092 was executed fraudulently, and because the specimen submitted in application no. 86/100,092 was not in use in commerce.
51. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,092 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,092 was executed fraudulently, and because the mark of application no. 86/100,092 was not in use in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1).
52. Application no. 86/100,112 is not registrable under 15 U.S.C. 1052(d), and Opposer Proto Labs would be damaged by the registration of application no. 86/100,112 within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. 1063(a).
53. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,112 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,112 was executed fraudulently, and because the specimen submitted in application no. 86/100,112 was not in use in commerce.
54. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,112 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,112 was executed fraudulently, and because the mark of application no. 86/100,112 was not in use in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1).
55. Application no. 86/100,123 is not registrable under 15 U.S.C. 1052(d), and Opposer Proto Labs would be damaged by the registration of application no. 86/100,123 within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. 1063(a).
56. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,123 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,123 was executed fraudulently, and because the specimen submitted in application no. 86/100,123 was not in use in commerce.
57. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,123 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,123 was executed fraudulently, and because the mark of application no. 86/100,123 was not in use in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1).

58. Application no. 86/100,133 is not registrable under 15 U.S.C. 1052(d), and Opposer Proto Labs would be damaged by the registration of application no. 86/100,133 within the meaning of 15 U.S.C. 1063(a).
59. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,133 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,133 was executed fraudulently, and because the specimen submitted in application no. 86/100,133 was not in use in commerce.
60. Upon information and belief, application no. 86/100,133 is not registrable because the declaration in application no. 86/100,133 was executed fraudulently, and the mark of application no. 86/100,133 was not in use in commerce under 15 U.S.C. 1051(a)(1).

WHEREFOR, Opposer Proto Labs prays the Opposition be sustained and the Applications be refused.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and complete copy of the foregoing PROTO LABS' FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF OPPOSITION has been served on Applicant Nextline Manufacturing Corp. by mailing said copy on July 14, 2014, via First Class Mail, postage prepaid to:

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**EXHIBIT 1 TO PROTO LAB’S NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**



**Int. Cl.: 40**

**Prior U.S. Cls.: 100, 103 and 106**

**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

**Reg. No. 2,686,351**

**Registered Feb. 11, 2003**

**SERVICE MARK  
PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

**PROTOQUOTE**

PROTOMOLD COMPANY, INC., THE (MINNE-  
SOTA CORPORATION)  
1757 HALGREN ROAD  
MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

IN FABRICATING CUSTOM-DESIGNED INJEC-  
TION MOLDS, IN CLASS 40 (U.S. CLS. 100, 103  
AND 106).

FOR: MANUFACTURE OF CUSTOM-DESIGNED  
INJECTION MOLDED PARTS TO ORDER AND/OR  
SPECIFICATION OF OTHERS; PROVIDING INFOR-  
MATION VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK IN THE  
FIELD OF CUSTOM MANUFACTURING IN THE  
NATURE OF QUOTATIONS OF COSTS INVOLVED

FIRST USE 5-1-2002; IN COMMERCE 5-1-2002.

SER. NO. 76-404,904, FILED 5-9-2002.

CYNTHIA SLOAN, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

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**EXHIBIT 2 TO PROTO LAB'S NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

**Int. Cl.: 40**

**Prior U.S. Cls.: 100, 103, and 106**

**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

**Reg. No. 3,294,603**

**Registered Sep. 18, 2007**

**SERVICE MARK  
PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

**PROTOFLOW**

THE PROTOMOLD COMPANY, INC. (MINNESOTA CORPORATION)  
1757 HALGREN ROAD  
MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

FOR: MANUFACTURE OF CUSTOM-DESIGNED INJECTION MOLDED PARTS TO ORDER AND/OR SPECIFICATION OF OTHERS; NUMERICALLY MODELING A CUSTOM INJECTION MOLDING PROCESS FOR USE IN DESIGNING OR MANUFACTURING OF PLASTIC PARTS; PROVIDING INFORMATION VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK IN THE FIELD OF CUSTOM MANUFACTURING IN THE NATURE OF ANALYSIS, MODELING AND SIMULATION OF FLOW AND/OR SOLIDIFICATION OF INJECTED MATERIAL IN CUSTOM IN-

JECTION MOLDS, IN CLASS 40 (U.S. CLS. 100, 103 AND 106).

FIRST USE 3-7-2007; IN COMMERCE 3-7-2007.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 2,686,351 AND 2,777,193.

SN 78-360,807, FILED 2-2-2004.

MATTHEW KLINE, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

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**EXHIBIT 3 TO PROTO LAB'S NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

**Int. Cl.: 40**

**Prior U.S. Cls.: 100, 103 and 106**

**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

**Reg. No. 3,268,122**

**Registered July 24, 2007**

**SERVICE MARK  
PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

**FIRST CUT**

THE PROTOMOLD COMPANY, INC. (MINNESOTA CORPORATION)  
1757 HALGREN ROAD  
MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

FOR: MANUFACTURE OF COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL, OR CNC, MACHINED PLASTIC PARTS FOR PROTOTYPING AND LOW VOLUME PRODUCTION, SUCH PARTS HAVING BEEN CUSTOM-DESIGNED TO ORDER AND/OR SPECIFICATION OF OTHERS; PROVIDING INFORMATION VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK IN THE FIELD OF CUSTOM MANUFACTURING IN THE NATURE OF TWO- AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL GRAPHICAL DISPLAYS OF PLASTIC PARTS AND/OR COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL, OR CNC, MACHINING OF PLASTIC PARTS; AND PROVIDING INFORMATION VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK IN

THE FIELD OF CUSTOM MANUFACTURING IN THE NATURE OF QUOTATIONS OF COSTS INVOLVED IN COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL, OR CNC, MACHINING OF CUSTOM-DESIGNED PLASTIC PARTS , IN CLASS 40 (U.S. CLS. 100, 103 AND 106).

FIRST USE 10-0-2006; IN COMMERCE 10-0-2006.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

SER. NO. 78-938,621, FILED 7-27-2006.

WANDA KAY PRICE, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

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**EXHIBIT 4 TO PROTO LAB'S NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**

**Int. Cls.: 35 and 40**

**Prior U.S. Cls.: 100, 101, 102, 103 and 106**

**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

**Reg. No. 3,390,900**

**Registered Mar. 4, 2008**

**SERVICE MARK  
PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

# FirstQuote

THE PROTOMOLD COMPANY, INC. (MINNESOTA CORPORATION)  
1757 HALGREN ROAD  
MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

FOR: PROVIDING INFORMATION VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK IN THE FIELD OF CUSTOM MANUFACTURING IN THE NATURE OF QUOTATIONS OF COSTS INVOLVED IN MACHINING AND/OR MOLDING OF CUSTOM-DESIGNED PARTS, IN CLASS 35 (U.S. CLS. 100, 101 AND 102).

FIRST USE 5-1-2007; IN COMMERCE 5-1-2007.

FOR: PROVIDING INFORMATION VIA A COMPUTER NETWORK IN THE FIELD OF CUSTOM MANUFACTURING IN THE NATURE OF TWO-

AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL GRAPHICAL DISPLAYS OF PARTS, COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL MACHINING OF PARTS AND/OR MOLDING OF PARTS DESIGNED TO THE SPECIFICATION OF OTHERS, IN CLASS 40 (U.S. CLS. 100, 103 AND 106).

FIRST USE 5-1-2007; IN COMMERCE 5-1-2007.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

SER. NO. 77-086,637, FILED 1-19-2007.

LEIGH CAROLINE CASE, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

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**EXHIBIT 5 TO PROTO LAB'S NOTICE OF OPPOSITION**



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Why NextLine

Technologies

How We Do It

## What if you could get fully functional production parts in ONE day?

### NextLine at a glance.

The technology, support and capabilities you need to bring your products to market.

With over 75 years of experience in additive and traditional manufacturing services, NextLine Manufacturing is the world's premier provider of low-volume production parts. Leveraging our proprietary computing technology, XPress Flow™, and automated manufacturing systems, we are changing the way design engineers obtain custom designed metal and plastic parts.



METAL LASER SINTERING  
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### Why NextLine Manufacturing?



Automated manufacturing process with integrated computing technology for instant manufacturing.



Advanced manufacturing capabilities, including additive technologies, cnc machining and injection molding.



Dedicated project management to guide you from design to prototype to production of your project.

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## Our manufacturing solutions.

NextLine offers you access to the widest range of production grade plastic and metal materials for the most demanding applications. We use the latest subtractive and additive manufacturing systems, in-house, for fast, precise production of your custom designed parts.



### Additive Metal Laser Sintering

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### Subtractive CNC Machining

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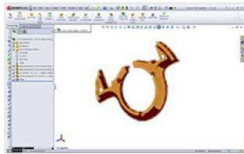
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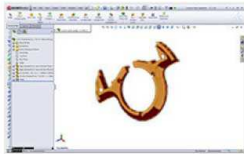
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### ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING SOLUTIONS

At NextLine, building custom designed end-use parts in dense metal alloys is achievable in hours. Our high powered laser sintering systems fuse powdered metal at 20µm layers replacing the need for expensive fourth and fifth axis machining. Our goal is to provide new product designers with the easiest and fastest way to obtain low volume production parts based on their 3D CAD design.

### PRODUCTION ENGINEERED MATERIALS

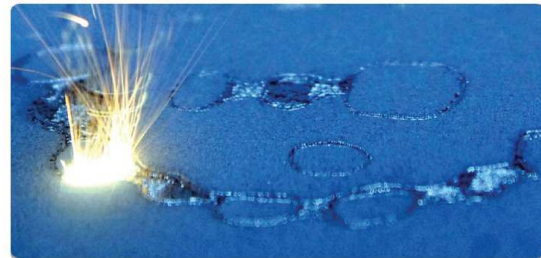
Our Metal Laser Sintering service supports an array of production-grade metals, including:

- Aluminium
- Cobalt Chromium
- Non-ferrous Alloys
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- Maraging Steel
- 316L Stainless Steel

### XPRESS FLOW® TECHNOLOGY

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### METAL LASER SINTERING



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